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Respectfully submitted,



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Docket No.: 1007-013

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In re Application of: Hung-Liang Chiu et al.
 Serial No.: 10/044,169
 Filed: 10/22/2001
 For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
 PROCESSING RETURN PRODUCTS

: Confirmation No.: 1606
 : Examiner: James S. McClellan
 : Group Art Unit: 3627

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 14, 2004, wherein restriction has been required, Applicants respectfully elect Claims 1-8 with traverse and without waiving any rights for reconsideration. Claims 9-18 are to be held in abeyance for preparation of a divisional application in the event reconsideration is denied. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the requirement for restriction and that the requirement be removed.

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